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IN RESPONSE TO REFTTEL, POST AND KEENAN HAVE HELD FURTHER
DISCUSSIONS.

1) ALTHOUGH THE AGENDA HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED, THE PROPOSED
CONFERENCE WILL CONCENTRATE PRIMARILY ON INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS
CONTROL. HONG KONG PREVENTIVE SERVICES AND U.S. CUSTOMS ARE
FOCUSING THE CONFERENCE ON THIS TOPIC.

2) HKPS IS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT CONFERENCE AND WILL BE OUT IN
FRONT AS SPONSORING ORGANIZATION.

3) HOWEVER, U.S. CUSTOMS FEELS ATTENDANCE MAY BE LIMITED DUE
TO PROBABLE INABILITY OF KEY COUNTRIES TO FIND FUNDS TO SEND
REPRESENTATIVES, AND WE UNDERSTAND U.S. CUSTOMS WILL BE SEEKING
FUNDS FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THESE DELS.

4) ADDITIONALLY, U.S. CUSTOMS WILL BE SEEKING CCINC FUNDS TO
HELP DEFRAY HKPS SUPPORTIVE EXPENSES.

5) FRANK KEENAN HAS HELD EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH CONCERNED
HK AUTHORITIES DURING TWO VISITS HERE AND WILL CONSULT

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S/NM ON THESE MATTERS WHEN HE RETURNS TO WASHINGTON EARLY

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